**ABSOLUTE RATING: Good IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 88.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## **RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD**

Absolute Rating Good

Improvement Rating Average

2001 2002

2003

2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

# PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









**Mathematics** English/ Language Arts

**Mathematics** 

English/ Language Arts

**Advanced** 







**Below Basic** 

## **DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:**

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- **Proficient** Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORE	NG BASIC OR ABO	OVE ON THE	PACT	
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=117)	92.3	75.2	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=115)	92.2	75.7		
Gender				
Male (n=56)	91.1	73.2		
Female (n=61)	93.4	77		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=10)	N/A	N/A		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=107)	93.5	76.6		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=67)	89.6	71.6		
Pay for lunch (n=50)	96	80		

# **SCHOOL PROFILE** INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$5,665	N/A	\$5,112	\$5,347
<ul> <li>Prime instructional time</li> </ul>	89%	Up from 87.9%	90.1%	90.2%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.7 to 1	N/A	18.3 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=273)				
Attendance Rate	94.9%	Down from 95.89	% 96.1%	96.2%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level</li> </ul>	17.1%	N/A	3.6%	4.1%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade leve</li> </ul>	14.5% I	N/A	3%	3.1%
<ul> <li>First graders who attended full day kindergarten</li> </ul>	95.8%	Up from 94.2%	96.7%	96.3%
<ul> <li>Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate TEACHERS (n=23)	1.7%	Down from 4.9%	4%	3.6%
<ul> <li>Professional Development days per teacher</li> </ul>	10.6 Days	Up from 7.1	7.4 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	95.1%	Up from 93.2%	95.1%	95.1%
<ul> <li>Teachers with advanced degrees</li> </ul>	47.8%	Up from 47.6%	44.8%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	78.3%	Down from 85.79	% 84%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	87.3%	Down from 92.69	% 87.8%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$38,639	Up 1.4%	\$36,723	\$37,520

### **SCHOOL FACTS**

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
C	ur School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries</li> </ul>	62.2%	N/A	65.7%	65.3%
<ul> <li>Principal's years at the school</li> </ul>	2	N/A	4	4.0
<ul> <li>Parents attending conferences</li> </ul>	99.6%	N/A	95.4%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	54.2%	Up from 24.5%	46%	43.1%
<ul> <li>On academic probation</li> </ul>	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
<ul> <li>Older than usual for grade</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	1.3%	1.1%
<ul> <li>Suspended or expelled</li> </ul>	2	N/A	1	1
<ul> <li>Gifted and talented</li> </ul>	9%	Up from 5%	9.6%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	2.7%	Down from 11.8%	% 8.3%	8.4%

# PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a productive year at Kingston Elementary School. Everyone has worked together to ensure success for all. Among our accomplishments are the following:

100% participation by parents in Personalized Learning Plan conferences; 100% participation by parents, students, and teachers in the signing of compacts; 94% of our first grade students scored "ready" on the Cognitive Skills Assessment Battery (CSAB); 275 students achieved over 11,593 Accelerated Reader points; our second grade students scoring basic or above on the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT) English Language Arts portion increased to 83%; participation in our volunteer program increased; and 83.3% of our students attained a text reading level above"16" by the end of first grade.

Students at Kingston Elementary participated in benchmark testing, monthly writing prompts, integrated use of technology, after school tutorial sessions, and remediation/enrichment groups. Students practiced responsible citizenship by participation in programs such as Pennies for Patients and March of Dimes.

Professional development for teachers was expanded to include common planning time. Opportunities were provided for staff members to attend various professional conferences. Jennie Caskey was the Kingston Elementary School's Teacher of the Year.

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) provided needed materials for teachers and students. They also sponsored events such as motivational speakers and school dances to reinforce positive academic and social behaviors. The Horry County Arts Council helped sponsor on-site visits by published authors and illustrators.

The Kingston Elementary School family is proud of this year's successes.

Mary J. Anderson



Kingston Elementary 2694 Hwy. 905 Conway, SC 29526

**Grades** K-5 Elementary School

**Enrollment: 273 Students** 

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# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

<b>Annual School</b>
Report Card

2001

School Grade: Good

### **EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

EVALUATIONS DI TEAGNERS AND STODENTS				
Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents	
Satisfied with learning environment	95.7	86.1	(Avail. 2002)	
Satisfied with social and physical environment	95.7	69.4		
Satisfied with home-school relations	91.3	94.4		

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

## South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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